### BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY BENTON, LOUISIANA MINUTES

May 15, 2013

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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Jimmy Cochran, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Mac Plummer, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Jack Skaggs. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Cindy Dodson, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

Mr. Rick Avery
Mr. Jerome Darby, Excused
Ms. Wanda Bennett, Excused
Mr. Wayne Hammack
Mr. Glenn Benton
Mr. Mac Plummer
Mr. Bob Brotherton
Mr. Doug Rimmer
Mr. Jimmy Cochran
Mr. Fred Shewmake
Mr. Sonny Cook
Mr. Jack Skaggs

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Others present were Mr. Bill Altimus, Parish Administrator; Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney; Mr. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Engineer; Ms. Cindy Dodson, Parish Secretary.

Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Benton, to adopt the minutes of the April 3, 2013, and the April 17, 2013, regular meetings, and the April 17, 2013, Finance Committee meeting, as published.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Andy Thompson, Ark-La-Tex chapter of Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association, stated that there are over 50 AFCEA chapters throughout the world, and that one of the largest chapters is located in the Ark-La-Tex. He stated that AFCEA promotes Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) initiatives within the various career fields. He advised that an annual gala was held on May 2, 2013, for the Ark-La-Tex chapter of AFCEA where over 350 community members gathered together in the Ark-La-Tex region to award college scholarships to graduating seniors from the area. Mr. Thompson stated that eight scholarships were granted and six classroom science grants were awarded in excess of \$30,000 for STEM initiatives and STEM causes. He stated that Mr. John Seth Madden, a senior at Haughton High School, was one of eight who received a college scholarship from the Ark-La-Tex chapter of AFCEA.

Mr. Billy Montgomery recognized Mr. Gene Couvillion, Principal of Haughton High School, Stacy and Kelli Madden, parents of Mr. Madden, and Ms. Pat Reeves, Mr. Madden's grandmother, as being present.

Mr. John Madden extended his appreciation to the jurors for their service to the community.

Mr. Couvillion extended his congratulations to Mr. Madden for his accomplishments at Haughton High School.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to adopt a resolution congratulating Mr. John Seth Madden on his receipt of a college scholarship from the Ark-La-Tex chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, John Seth Madden was recently awarded a college scholarship from the Ark-La-Tex chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA); and

WHEREAS, John Seth Madden, a senior from Haughton High School, is the only student from Bossier Parish to be honored with such an award; and

WHEREAS, John Seth Madden ranked #1 in his class of 223 with a strong 4.0 GPA, and has been recognized as Haughton High School's Valedictorian Finalist, Student of the Year Finalist, and in the Who's Who Registry of Academic Excellence, as well as many other outstanding achievements and honors; and

WHEREAS, John Seth Madden has demonstrated his outstanding athletic ability and commitment to his team in lettering on both the football and wrestling team at Haughton High School; and

WHEREAS, John Seth Madden has demonstrated excellent leadership and commitment skills through his vast involvement in extracurricular school activities, and in volunteering to serve his community through his participation in many worthwhile projects; and

WHEREAS, John Seth Madden has served on many clubs, teams and organizations, earning many accolades such as Spirit Section Co-Founder, Bossier Youth Leadership Graduate, Student Council Senator and Representative, and member of the prominent Red Jackets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, that it does hereby offer its sincere congratulations to John Seth Madden on his receipt of a college scholarship from the Ark-La-Tex chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association, and does commend him on his excellent academic achievements and leadership qualities.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this  $15^{th}$  day of May, 2013.

CINDY A. DODSON PARISH SECRETARY JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Ford advised that KSA Alliance, Inc., has recommended that the low bid of Best Yet Builders, LLC, in the amount of \$950,320.20, be accepted for the Wemple Road Reconstruction-Phase I, Project No. 2013-347. Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to award the bid for the Wemple Road Reconstruction-Phase I, Project No. 2013-347, to Best Yet Builders, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on May 8, 2013.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried

unanimously. Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:Bid Amount:Best Yet Builders, LLC\$ 950,320.20Blount Bros. Construction, LLC\$ 995,703.00Specialty Trackhoe & Dozer Services, Inc.\$ 959,715.00Benton & Brown, LLC\$1,074,268.70

Mr. Ford stated that Wemple Road from Old Brownlee Road to Airline Drive will be closed this summer for road improvements. He stated that businesses in the area, emergency service departments and the Bossier Parish School Board have been notified of the upcoming road closure.

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Mr. Ford stated that on April 30, 2013, the police jury voted to delay awarding the bid for the New Barksdale Air Force Base Entrance at Bodcau Station Road, to allow the relocation of utilities and the construction of a new railroad crossing prior to beginning the project. He stated that the new railroad crossing will be installed soon, and advised that the engineer for the project has recommended that the low bid of Cercontec, LLC, in the amount of \$201,879.80, be accepted. Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Benton, to award the bid for the New Barksdale Air Force Base Entrance at Bodcau Station Road Project No. 2013-399, to Cercontec, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on April 2, 2013.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously. Bid results are as follows:

Bidder: Bid Amount:
Benton & Brown, LLC \$212,193.50
Blount Bros. Construction, LLC \$227,806.00
Best Yet Builders, LLC \$388,875.00
Cercontec, LLC \$201,879.80
Bowman Grading & Asphalt, Inc. \$246,852.50

Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider the application of Sean Turpin/Cypress Automotive Center, to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located at 5485 Airline Drive, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to B-3, General Business District, for a business expansion. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Mr. Hyman Turpin submitted an amended site plan for the proposed automotive service center, advising that as required by the Bossier City-Parish MPC, the service center building has been rotated so that the service bay doors face away from Airline Drive. Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, stated that in accordance with the Unified Development Code, a service bay door may not be open onto a major arterial roadway. Mr. Turpin stated that the proposed service facility is to be 80' x 80', and advised that the two existing buildings will be improved to match the new facility. Mr. Turpin stated that a second entrance is proposed to help alleviate any potential traffic issues. Mr. Ford stated that there was concern regarding the width of the access driveway providing adequate access for emergency vehicles to reach the back of the new service center, but by rotating the building, the width of the access driveway was increased from 15 feet to 35 feet.

Mr. Skaggs asked if there are any drainage issues at this location. Mr. Ford stated that the property is not in a floodway and advised that any drainage issues will be addressed when the site plan is submitted for approval.

There being no opposition, motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve the application of Sean Turpin/Cypress Automotive Center, to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located at 5485 Airline Drive, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to B-3, General Business District, for a business expansion.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

## ORDINANCE NO. 4481

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BOSSIER PARISH ORDINANCE NO. 3908 OF 2003, WHICH ADOPTED A UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE BOSSIER CITY-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, LOUISIANA, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 5485 AIRLINE DRIVE, FROM R-A, RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO B-3, GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, FOR A BUSINESS EXPANSION.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, that Ordinance No. 3908 of 2003 (Unified Development Code) of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a tract of land located at 5485 Airline Drive, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to B-3, General Business District, for a business expansion, being more particularly described as follows:

A tract of land located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, being more particularly described as follows: From the Southwest corner of Section 21 Run North a distance of 759.62 feet; Run West a distance of 3,062.46 feet; Run North a distance of 739.52 feet North 01° 36" 06" East to the Point of Beginning of the tract herein described: Run North 01° 36' 06" East a distance of 210.11 feet; Run South 89° 58' 56" East a distance of 193.09 feet; Run South 01° 36' 06" West a distance of 210.11 feet; Run North 89d 58' 56" West a distance of 193.09 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 0.93 acres more or less.

Applicant: Sean Turpin/Cypress Automotive Center

Purpose: Business expansion

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

CINDY A. DODSON PARISH SECRETARY JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider the application of Ryan Bowman to the Bossier City-Parish MPC, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 37.71 acres located in Section 13, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to I-1, Light Industrial District, for an industrial office and shop. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Mr. Ryan Bowman was present. There being no opposition, motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve the application of Ryan Bowman, to the Bossier City-Parish MPC, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 37.71 acres located in Section 13, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to I-1, Light Industrial District, for an industrial office and shop.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

## ORDINANCE NO. 4482

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BOSSIER PARISH ORDINANCE NO. 3908 OF 2003, WHICH ADOPTED A UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE BOSSIER CITY-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, LOUISIANA, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 37.71 ACRES LOCATED IN SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-A, RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO I-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT, FOR AN INDUSTRIAL OFFICE AND SHOP.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, that Ordinance No. 3908 of 2003 (Unified Development Code) of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 37.71 acres located in Section 13, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to I-1, Light Industrial District, for an industrial office and shop, as follows:

A tract of land located in the southeast quarter (SE/4) of Section 13, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, being more fully described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest corner of Bossier Parish Assessment Number 154797, run thence south 88° 59' 02" east a distance of 473.66'; thence run north 00° 00' 00" east a distance of 548.68' to the southerly right-of-way of Sligo Road; thence run along the southerly right-of-way of Sligo Road the following four calls:

North  $68^{\circ}$  04' 43" east a distance of 11.4'; north  $67^{\circ}$  17' 42" east a distance of 393.93'; north  $65^{\circ}$  47' 15" east a distance of 250.7'; along a curve to the right a distance of 290.41 feet, said curve having a radius of 2714.58' for a distance of

Thence leaving said southerly right-of-way of Sligo Road, run thence south 00° 04' 22" west a distance of 1689.16'; thence run north 89° 32' 30" west a distance of 1342.58'; thence run north 00° 04' 00" east a distance of 766.58' to the point of beginning.

Said tract containing 38.23 acres.

Ryan Bowman Applicant:

Purpose: Industrial office and shop

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

CINDY A. DODSON PARISH SECRETARY JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider the application of W.A. Lucky, III, to the Bossier City-Parish MPC, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 4.233 acres located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, and B-2, Limited Business District, to B-3, General Business District, for a retail center. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Mr. Stephen Hamm was present on behalf of Mr. W.A. Lucky, III. Mr. Skaggs expressed concern regarding the requested B-3 zoning classification and asked what types of businesses are to be located in the proposed retail center. Mr. Hamm stated that it is his understanding that such businesses as food establishments, with no alcohol sales, are to be located in the proposed center. Mr. Skaggs asked if any of the establishments will be a 24-hour service, and Mr. Hamm stated that it was his understanding that there would be no businesses with 24-hour operations. Mr. Cochran asked for clarification as to why a B-3 zoning classification is being requested. Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, stated that a B-3 zoning classification is required for a drive-thru service. He stated that an additional public hearing is required to allow 24-hour operation as the proposed center is located adjacent to a residentially zoned subdivision.

Mr. Skaggs asked if there are any drainage issues in this area. Mr. Hamm stated that a detention area is to be included on the site plan for the proposed development.

There being no opposition, motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve the application of W.A. Lucky, III, to the Bossier City-Parish MPC, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 4,233 acres located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, and B-2, Limited Business District, to B-3, General Business District, for a retail center.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

### ORDINANCE NO. 4483

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BOSSIER PARISH ORDINANCE NO. 3908 OF 2003, WHICH ADOPTED A UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE BOSSIER CITY-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, LOUISIANA, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 4.233 ACRES LOCATED IN SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH,

RANGE 13 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-A, RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, AND B-2, LIMITED BUSINESS DISTRICT, TO B-3, GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, FOR A RETAIL CENTER.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, that Ordinance No. 3908 of 2003 (Unified Development Code) of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 4.233 acres located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, and B-2, Limited Business District, to B-3, General Business District, for a retail center, being more particularly described as follows:

A 4.233 Acre tract of land located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana. Said tract being more fully described as follows: commencing at a found ½" diameter iron pipe marking the Northeast corner of Lot 5, North Airline Acres, Unit 1, as recorded in Book 583, Page 346, of the records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, run thence North 89° 32′ 53" West a distance of 38.16 feet to a found ½" diameter iron pipe on the West Right-of-Way line of Airline Drive and also being the Point of Beginning at the tract herein described:

From said Point of Beginning, run thence North 89° 30' 23" West for a distance of 461.78 feet to a found ½" diameter iron pipe;

Thence run North 01° 35' 19" East for a distance of 399.91 feet to a found ½" diameter iron pipe;

Thence run South 89° 31' 14" East for a distance of 460.45 feet to a found ½" diameter iron pipe on the West right-of-way line of Airline Drive;

Thence run along said Westerly Right-of-Way South 01° 23' 53" West a distance of 400.00 feet to the Point of Beginning,

Applicant: W. A. Lucky, III Purpose: Retail center

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

CINDY A. DODSON PARISH SECRETARY JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Rosedale Place Subdivision, Unit No. 14, located in Section 34, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Jeff Raley, Raley and Associates, Inc., stated that the proposed development will consist of 18 lots, and is a continuation of the existing units of Rosedale Place Subdivision. He stated that the proposed development will be served by Bossier City water and sewerage service, and will have underground drainage with curb and gutter asphalt streets.

There being no opposition, motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Rosedale Place Subdivision, Unit No. 14, located in Section 34, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Ms. Dodson announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of River Bluff Subdivision, Unit No. 4, located in Section 32, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Jeff Raley, Raley and Associates, Inc., stated that the original plat for River Bluff Subdivision, Unit No. 4 was approved on October 6, 2010, but never filed. Mr. Avery stated that there is concern regarding emergency ingress/egress for residents of River Bluff Subdivision. Mr. Warren Cantrell, developer, presented an overview of the proposed emergency ingress/egress plan which provides the residents of River Bluff Subdivision ingress/egress over the levee through the Maplewood Mobile Home Park. He stated that all emergency services agencies have been provided a copy of the proposed plans. Mr. Avery stated that Mr. Gould, owner of Maplewood Mobile Home Park, has agreed to allow emergency ingress and egress through the mobile home park, and has requested that the residents of Maplewood Mobile Home Park be allowed emergency ingress and egress through River Bluff Subdivision. He stated that all parties involved have agreed to make the roads accessible for all emergency vehicles.

Mr. Cantrell stated that he has executed an agreement with Mr. Gould to allow River Bluff Subdivision residents emergency access through Maplewood Mobile Home Park. He stated that an agreement allowing the residents of Maplewood Mobile Home Park ingress and egress through River Bluff Subdivision has not been finalized. Mr. Jackson stated that he will need to see all fully executed agreements in this matter prior to final approval.

Mr. Benton expressed concern regarding maintenance of the private drive. Mr. Jackson stated that the property owner is responsible for all maintenance. Mr. Ford stated that Mr. Cantrell has constructed a drive up to the levee, advising that a permit from the Bossier Parish Levee District is required prior to any improvements to the road on the levee. He stated that there is a hard turn on the levee that may present a problem for emergency vehicles. Mr. Jeff Wyatt advised that a hard surface roadway exists on the levee and that he does not believe emergency vehicles will have any problems with the curve. He stated that they are willing to do whatever is allowed by the Levee District to improve the road if needed. Mr. Avery requested that the existing road across the levee be tested by a fire truck to ensure that the road is safe for use by emergency vehicles.

Mr. Neil Pounders, developer of River Bluff Subdivision, Units 1, 2 and 3, stated that in the initial approval of River Bluff Subdivision, he followed all requirements of the police jury regarding emergency exits for the development and he does not feel the subdivision should be obligated to provide emergency ingress/egress for the residents of the Maplewood Mobile Home Park.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve the plat of the proposed development of River Bluff Subdivision, Unit No. 4, located in Section 32, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, subject to legal review of all agreements regarding the provision of emergency ingress/egress for residents of River Bluff Subdivision and for the residents of Maplewood Mobile Home Park.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Benton, to schedule a public hearing on June 19, 2013, to consider an application by the Bossier City-Parish MPC, for an amendment to the Unified Development Code to change fence height requirements to allow a maximum fence height of seven feet.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to schedule a public hearing on June 19, 2013, to consider an application by the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to revert the zoning classification of an 8.661-acre tract of land, more or less, from B-2, Neighborhood Business District, to the previous R-A, Residence-Agriculture District.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to schedule a public hearing on June 19, 2013, to consider an application by the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to revert the zoning classification of a 20.619-acre tract of land, more or less, from R-2, Multiple Family Residence District, to the previous R-A, Residence-Agriculture District.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to schedule a public hearing on June 19, 2013, to consider an application by the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to revert the zoning classification of an 8.78-acre tract of land, more or less, from R-1, One-family Residence District, to the previous R-A, Residence-Agriculture District.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on June 19, 2013, to consider an application by the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to revert the zoning classification of a 7-acre tract of land, more or less, from B-3, Community and Central Business District, to the previous R-A, Residence-Agriculture District.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to schedule a public hearing on June 19, 2013, to consider an application by the Benton-Parish MPC for a zoning amendment to revert the zoning classification of a 76.94-acre tract of land, more or less, from B-2, Neighborhood Business District, to the previous R-A, Residence-Agriculture District.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Avery, to accept the proposal of Cothren, Graff, Smoak Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$11,280, to provide engineering services for the Penal Complex Sewer Pond Improvements project, and to authorize the execution of documents.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Ford advised that the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department will be participating in the costs of these improvements.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

# RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, that Jimmy Cochran, President, and/or William Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents or contracts in connection with the proposal of Cothren, Graff, Smoak Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$11,280 to provide engineering services in connection with the Penal Complex Sewer Pond Improvements.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

CINDY A. DODSON PARISH SECRETARY JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Woodrow Hall, 710 Highway 162, Benton, LA, advised that a natural drain along his property is stopped up and has resulted in flooding on his property when it rains. Mr. Ford stated that the adjacent landowner, Mr. Wilton Dale Wallace, has hauled in approximately 150 loads of dirt along the property line and has placed a 12-inch pipe in a ditch along the property. Mr. Ford stated that the ditch is now full of mud and does not drain properly. He stated that there are no roads affected by the flooding.

Mr. Ford recommended that Mr. Wallace be required to correct the obstruction, as he has filled in a natural drain which is causing water to back up onto Mr. Hall's property.

Mr. Jackson stated that the police jury can authorize him to send a demand letter to Mr. Wallace demanding that he return the natural drain to its original state, or seek court intervention. He stated that Mr. Hall also has a right concurrent with the parish's right to enforce the natural drainage.

After further discussion, motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Avery, to authorize the Parish Attorney to proceed with sending a demand letter to Mr. Wilton Dale Wallace in the matter of the obstruction of

a natural drain at 710 Highway 162, Benton, LA, and to begin preparation of legal proceedings in this matter.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of State Project No. 576-08-0001(333)/H.009254, Flood Control Improvements to Tall Timbers Lateral, Phase 3, and to authorize the President to execute documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of State Project No. 576-08-0001(333)/H.009254, Flood Control Improvements to Tall Timbers Lateral, Phase 3.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jimmy Cochran, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this  $15^{th}$  day of May, 2013.

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Mr. Ford reported on meetings regarding improvements to Kingston Road due to continued growth in this area. He stated that traffic studies indicate that improvements are needed and stated that turning lanes are recommended. Mr. Ford stated that a new school and apartment complex are planned on Kingston Road in the near future, and recommended approval of a Professional Services Contract with NTB Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$351,243, to begin Kingston Road Improvements, Phase I, and advised that he will be requesting that developers and the school board participate in the cost of these improvements.

Mr. Ford also requested authorization to prepare letter agreements between Heritage Properties, owners of the proposed apartment complex, Mr. Cantrell, developer, and the police jury regarding the costs of the proposed turning lanes on Kingston Road, and to prepare letter agreements with Mr. Keith Howard, Eagle Water, Heritage Properties and the police jury, for temporary use of a dormant sewer system in St. Charles Court Subdivision for the future apartment complex.

Mr. Ford advised that the parish has received a grant from FEMA in the amount of \$600,000 for larger culverts in Willow Chute Bayou at Kingston Road, but until the design phase is complete for improvements to Kingston Road, the parish cannot move forward with the Willow Chute Bayou project.

After further discussion, motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to accept a Professional Services Contract with NTB Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$351,243 for Kingston Road Improvements, Phase I, and to authorize the execution of documents; to authorize preparation of letter agreements between Mr. Cantrell, developer, Heritage Properties and the police jury, for costs associated with the Kingston Road Improvements; and to authorize preparation of letter agreements with Heritage Properties, Mr. Keith Howard, Eagle Water, and the police jury for temporary use of a dormant sewer system in St. Charles Court Subdivision for the proposed apartment complex on Kingston Road.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, that it does hereby approve a Professional Services Contract with NTB Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$351,243 for Kingston Road Improvements, Phase I.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said contract.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

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Mr. Altimus advised that on May 3, 2013, he, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Simmons visited the Federal Wildlife and Fisheries facility located in Karnack, Texas. He stated that Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service farms weevils at this facility for use in the fight against the growth of salvinia in local area lakes. He recommended that a farming facility be considered in our area to help control the salvinia in Lake Bistineau. Mr. Altimus stated that he is making a presentation to the Bistineau Task Force tomorrow regarding his visit to the facility.

Mr. Ford requested that the agenda be amended to allow discussion of an agreement with Mr. Wayne Earp.

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to amend the agenda to discuss authorizing an offer to Mr. Wayne Earp in the matter of noise issues at his home located off Arthur Ray Teague Parkway.

The President called for public comment. There being none, motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

AYES: Mr. Avery, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bennett, Mr. Darby

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Mr. Ford requested that the police jury consider authorizing an offer of \$82,000 to Mr. Wayne Earp as settlement in the resolution of noise issues at his home off Arthur Ray Teague Parkway. He stated that after reviewing the costs associated with removal of the old fence and construction of a new fence, removal and replanting of trees, and window covers for Mr. Earp's sunroom, the estimated cost is \$82,000. Mr. Ford stated that as part of this cash settlement agreement, Mr. Earp is responsible for removal of the old fence, installation of a new fence, removal and replanting of trees, and the installation of shutters for his sunroom. He stated that after reviewing the costs of the noise barrier walls the police jury provided at other homes along the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway, \$82,000 is a reasonable settlement offer.

After further discussion, motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to authorize extending a settlement offer of \$82,000 to Mr. Wayne Earp in the resolution of noise issues at his home located off the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Ford advised that a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement is being discussed with the Bossier Parish Levee District to allow the contractor for the Dogwood Trail Bridge Replacement Project to use a vacant lot owned by the Levee District as a lay-down yard during the project.

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Mr. Ford advised that a meeting is scheduled next week with the Corps of Engineers and Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to discuss improvements to the Ivan Lake Road, advising that they are requesting the parish's assistance with spreading rock on the road.

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Mr. Ford advised that the new lighting project at the Lawson Bo Brandon Sports Complex will be complete this week.

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Mr. Ford advised that utility permits and subdivision streetlights were discussed at the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee meeting held on April 30, 2013. He stated that a meeting with public utility companies was held yesterday to discuss proposed changes to utility fee regulations, and there were no objections to the proposed changes. Mr. Ford stated that it was requested that utility companies not be responsible for obtaining permits for new subdivision construction. He requested that an item be placed on the June 5, 2013, agenda to schedule a public hearing on June 19, 2013, to consider amendments to the utility fee regulations.

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Mr. Ford reported on a meeting regarding proposed streetlight regulations, advising that only two developers attended the meeting. He stated that the Public Service Commission allows developers two payment options when requesting streetlights. He stated that the developer is allowed to pay all costs up front, or make payments over a 25-year time span for the installation, maintenance and usage of streetlights. Mr. Ford stated that developers are signing contracts with AEP Swepco for the installation of the streetlights and once the lots are sold, these fees are being passed on to the homeowners association. He stated that the homeowners associations are not aware of the contract or fees, and the streetlights are being turned off because the homeowners association is unable to pay the high costs.

Mr. Jackson stated that parish ordinances require streetlights in subdivisions and it is assumed that the streetlights are paid in full at the time of installation. Mr. Ford stated that parish ordinances pertaining to streetlights should be amended to clarify that the developer is required to pay in full, all upfront costs associated with the installation of streetlights. He advised that the homeowners associations will be requested to pay the maintenance and electrical usage fees for the streetlights.

Mr. Jackson requested that any plats submitted by developers that currently have a 25-year payment contract with AEP Swepco be held until this matter is resolved.

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 $Mr.\ Ford\ requested\ approval\ of\ the\ Certificate\ of\ Substantial\ Completion\ for\ the\ HVAC\ Repair-Benton\ Library\ project.$ 

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to amend the agenda to approve a Certificate of Substantial Completion for the HVAC Repair-Benton Library project, and to authorize the President to execute documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

AYES: Mr. Avery, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

**ABSENT:** Ms. Bennett, Mr. Darby

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Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the HVAC Repair-Benton Library project, and to authorize the President to execute documents. The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the HVAC Repair-Benton Library.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jimmy Cochran, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this  $15^{th}$  day of May, 2013.

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Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Avery, to amend the agenda to schedule a public hearing on June 5, 2013, to consider approval of the Minor Plat of Survey for Weyerhaeuser Real Estate Development Company Bodcau Tract, located in Section 33, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA

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The President called for public comment. There being none, motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

AYES: Mr. Avery, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer,

Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

**ABSENT:** Ms. Bennett, Mr. Darby

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Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Avery, to schedule a public hearing on June 5, 2013, to consider approval of the Minor Plat of Survey for Weyerhaeuser Real Estate Development Company Bodcau Tract, located in Section 33, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Ronnie Andrews, Public Works Director, presented an update on activities of the highway department and on several road projects in the parish. He also reported that the highway department has received a mower that was donated to the parish by the City of Bossier City.

Mr. Andrews presented photographs of pilings at the Caplis-Sligo Road bridge.

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Mr. Jackson advised that the hearing in the matter of the vicious dog belonging to Mr. Clarence Dillard is set for Monday, May 20, 2013, at 9:30 a.m. in the 26<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court.

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#### Finance Committee Meeting – May 15, 2013, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, at 1:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with Ms. Bennett and Mr. Darby being absent.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$1,166.70 for the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter for the month of April, 2013, as follows:

Bobby Brannon Heating & Air Conditioning \$1,039.50 R E Michel Company, Inc. \$113.34 Swan Lake Hardware, LLC \$4.99 Swan Lake Hardware, LLC \$8.87

The Chairman called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve payment of all other accounts payable invoices for the month of April, 2013.

The Chairman called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, that Mr. Brotherton will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$508.58, and Mr. Rimmer and Mr. Benton will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$508.57 each, for a total of \$1,525.72, to Haughton High School for the purchase of new uniforms for the wrestling team.

The Chairman called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Plummer recommended the establishment of a Reserve Revenue Fund for any excess revenues as determined by the jury and for revenues from the Margaritaville Casino. Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to establish a Reserve Revenue Fund as determined by the jury, and for revenues from the new Margaritaville Casino.

The Chairman called for public comment. Ms. Laura Adley asked if the funds to be put in the Reserve Revenue Fund would accumulate or be zeroed out at the end of each year. Mr. Plummer stated that the funds deposited in the proposed Reserve Revenue Fund will accumulate and be used at the jury's discretion.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

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There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:05 p.m.

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